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SUBJECT: SEARCH AND RESCUE, U.S. - MEXICAN COOPERATION

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- B. AMEMB MEXICO AIRGRAM A-111 OF 14 APR 78 (NOTAL)
- 1. REF TELEGRAM ADVISED OF EXPANDED INTEREST IN A SEARCH AND RESCUE (SAR) CONFERENCE AND EMBASSY MEXICO WAS REQUESTED TO DISCUSS SUBJECT WITH MEXICAN OFFICIALS TO DETERMINE THEIR RECEPTIVENESS TO THIS SUBJECT AND MUTUALLY CONVENIENT DATES.
- 2. IN THIS REGARD, EMBASSY HAS TWO SUGGESTIONS. FIRST; REQUEST THAT REF B BE REVIEWED AND INCORPORATED INTO YOUR PLANNING FOR THE SUBJECT CONFERENCE. RECOMMEND PARTICULAR ATTENTION BE PLACED ON SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN REGARDING PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING TREATIES. SECOND; IN VIEW OF THE MEXICAN SECRETARY OF DEFENSE'S COMING VISIT TO WASHINGTON ON 11 AND 12 OCT 78, RECOMMEND THAT HE BE BRIEFED ON OUR COORDINATED PROPOSALS AT THAT TIME. GALVAN IS CONSIDERED THE "KINGPIN" IN ANY POSSIBILITY FOR IMPROVEMENT OF SAR ARRANGEMENTS.

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3. REGARDING TIMEFRAME PROPOSED BY REF A, SEPTEMBER IS AWKWARD BECAUSE OF MEXICAN NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS IN MID-SEPTEMBER. IN VIEW OF THE OPPORTUNITY PRESENTED BY SECRETARY GALVAN'S TRAVEL IN OCTOBER AND THE FACT THAT HE WILL BE OUT OF MEXICO, A TENTATIVE TIMEFRAME OF EARLY NOVEMBER IS RECOMMENDED FOR THE CONFERENCE. IF DEPARTMENT CONCURS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION REGARDING A NOVEMBER CON-

FERENCE ON COOPERATION ON SAR MATTERS, THE TOPIC WILL BE INFORMALLY DISCUSSED WITH APPROPRIATE MEXICAN OFFICIALS AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

4. A DAO LETTER CONTAINING THE SUGGESTIONS OF PARA 2 AND A COPY OF REF B IS BEING POUCHED TO THE COMMANDANT OF THE USCG IN RESPONSE TO HIS LETTER OF 19 APRIL ON THIS SUBJECT. LUCEY

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